REMARKS

prior applications from which priority is claimed.

SUMMARY

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below. If any fees are due in connection with the filing of this Amendment, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct such fees from the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0388 (Order No. KLA1P027X1).

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, the paragraph within the CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS section is to be replaced with the following replacement paragraph:

This application is a continuation-in-part [of U.S. patent application No. (Attorney Docket No. KLA1P027C1), filed January 29, 2002, entitled "IMPROVED LENS FOR MICROSCOPIC INSPECTION," which is a continuation] of U.S. patent application No. 09/602,920, now U.S. Patent No. 6,362,923 B1 [(Attorney Docket No. NSC1P027)], filed June 23, 2000, entitled "Lens For Microscopic Inspection," which claims priority of U.S. provisional patent application No. 60/188,309, filed March 10, 2000, entitled "IMPROVED LENS FOR MICROSCOPIC INSPECTION," which is hereby incorporated by reference.

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